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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports that detectives are conducting a homicide investigation. The incident occurred Wednesday, March 4, 2015 in the 1000 Block of Columbia Street.

The identity of the victim will be released upon notification of immediate family.

On Wednesday, March 04, 2015 around 7:00pm, West Precinct officers responded to the listed location on a person shot. Upon arrival, officers found the victim lying on the floor in the front room of the residence suffering from what appeared to be gunshot wounds to the neck and shoulder area. The victim was pronounced deceased on the scene by Birmingham Fire and Rescue.

Our preliminary investigation revealed the victim came over to his ex-girlfriend's house and while talking to her on the front porch he slapped her several times. The exgirlfriend's new boyfriend who was also at the residence came out on the porch and attempted to intervene and as a result both men got into a physical altercation that led to the new boyfriend shooting the victim. The suspect (new boyfriend) was taken into custody. Additional information will be released as it becomes available. Detectives are investigating the death as a homicide.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, they are encouraged to contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 254-7777.